

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date April 24, 2007

In re the Application of

Jean-Louis VIOVY et al.

Application No.: 10/582,868

Filed: June 14, 2006

Docket No.: 121697

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR ASSAYING MUTATIONS IN NUCLEIC ACIDS
AND THEIR USES IN DIAGNOSIS OF GENETIC DISEASES AND CANCERS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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